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The Rt. Hon. Mr. W. Runeiman was the Dewsbury representative in the

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Wilson acknowledged how much the

people of America appreciated the

motives which induced Mr. Asquith's

Government to enter the war in

KING "PAYS BIRTHDAY CALL.

To-day being President Wilson's

birthday, the King this morning went

to the President's apartments at

Buckingham Palace, congratulated

him, and wished him many happy

RUSSIAN SITUATION.

BOLSHEVIK PREPARATIONS

The Times correspondent at War-

saw reports that the Bolsheviks are

preparing to advance on Kovno and

With a view to the absorption of Lithuania and Poland in the Soviet

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London, December 27.

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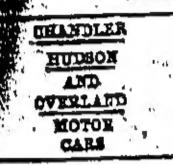
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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

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ASQUITH DEFEATED.

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London, December 28. Mr. Asquith has been beaten. Hi. defeat caused a great sensition. is expected by the Liberals that the enlarged constituency of East Fife includes a substantial Conservative element which had not hitherto had the opportunity of voting against the ex-Premier. Nevertheless, the result emphasises the tremendous sweep that the Coalition tide is making.

POSITION ON SATURDAY. LONDON, December 28. Before any results are declared today, the following is the position of Parties so far in the New Parliament. The members returned so far number 122, of which 82 are-Coalitionists. Of these 52 are Uniquists and 30 for Ireland. Liberals, ... The remaining 40 non- Gorton Coalitionists include 12 Labour, one Irish Nationalist, 28 Sinn Fein, and one Independent.

For the sake of reference we give the position of the Parties at the dissolution, namely :.

Unionists ........... 287 Liberal ..... 260 Labour ...... 38. Irish Nationalists .. 78 Sinn Fein Independent ......

Five members of the National Party are included among the 287 Unionists. COALITION TIDE ROSE EARLY

Losnov, December 28, A feature of the earlier results was the overwhelming victories of Coalitionists in the three-cornered contests. For example, at Salford: Montagu Barlow (C.U.) .....14,285 Gorman (Lab.) ...... 3,807

The position at one o'clock this afternoon ois : ... Coulition ...... 140 Opposition ........ 60

At three o'clock the position was: Coulition ...... 354 Opposition ...... 116 SUFFRAGETTES DEFEATED. Mesdames Christabel Pankhurst

Outhwaiter Violet Markham, and Mary MacArthur were all defeated. At three o'clock, the Coalition's sweeping success continues, and feature is the failure of Labour make the headway expected. The defeat of Mr. Arthur Henderson was a surprise. So was the big majority of the Irish Secretary, Mr. E. Shortt, over Labbur at Newcastle.". The Rt Hon. R. McKenna's defeat was not

unexpected. A cautious estimate of the Couli tion majority over all parties is that

it will be more than 150/ At four o'clock the position was: Conlition ...... 896

Opposition ...... 144 Commander Dean, who was returned for Blackburn, received the Victoria Cross in April for gallantry the Zeebrugge affair. In the Welsh University election, the defeated Labourite was Mrs.

Mackenzie. DETAILED RESULTS. . London, December 28. D. Lloyd George (Lib.) .....13,993 Austin Harrison (Ind.) ...... 1,095 Ashton under-Lyne : Sir A. Stanley (C.U.) .....10,260 ment, wherefor the Polish Chief of Cambridgeshire: Rt. Hon. E. S. Montagu

Staff has appealed to the Allies. BALTIC SITUATION SERIOUS. dent says the situation in the Baltic \_ Stubbs (Lab.) ...... 6,686 Sir Henry Norman (C.L.) ...32,0 dence are tiffentened. Commander Dean (C.U.) ...30,158 devastating, pillaging, and Two seats. The previous two mailing within 85 miles of Reval. members were Philip Snowden and In view of the menace to Reval, a Sir Henry Norman. British squadron has now returned Liverpool (West. Derby): "Sir F. E. Smith (C.U.) .......11,622 Cambridge: Rt. Hon. Sir E. Geddes William (Lab.) .......... 8,789 Esthonians hope that Finland will succour them, but Finland herself

Rycroft (Lib.) ........... 4,155 sion, is unlikely to assist.

### TO-DAY'S CABLES.

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SITUATION IN GERMANY.

LONDON, December 28, Reuter's correspondent at Copen-Mrs. Despard (Lab.) ...... 5,834 Vossische Zeitung says a crisis has developed. The people's commis-- Jenkin (Ind.) - 1,857 Cabinet-sitting was held at nine in the evening. The outcome of it was 

London, December 28s The commander of the guardtroops, General Leguis, has resigned, and is succeeded by Lieut. General W. Runeiman (Lib.) ...... 5,130 von Luettwitz.

OBSERVING ARMISTICE CON DITIONS BETTER.

London, December 28. A message from Enris says the Germans are executing the armistice Col. Sir A. Sprott (U.) .... 38,006 8,500 waggons and 200 locomotives, 

#### FRENCH CHAMBER

R. L. Outhwaite (Lib.) ..... 2,703 LONDON, December 28a The public galleries of the Chamber of Deputies were packed yesterday, as "it was generally expected - Adams (Lab.) ..... B411 that M. Clemenceau would speak in the course of the general debate that had been announced. He did not speak. There were no stormy scenes, and the Ministry gemains unshaken. M. Pichon denied that he had told there would be no intervention in Russia, but it was "not the Govern-Mr. Hodge was the Minister for ment's intention to undertake an expedition in Russia on the lines indicated in the Press. - (Havas)

#### FRENCH AVIATION.

LONDON, December 28. The Paris Press comments on the efficiency of the new aeroplane ser--Loneon, Designal 28.4 President Wilson received at the vice organized for the revictibiling American Embassy several deputa- of the inhabitants of the liberated tions, including a deputation from territories, and urges the regular use . Prothe International [Society to Pro- of aeroplanes for the postal service]

mote the] League of Nations. His between Brussels and Paris. .With a view eventually to bringing callers included General Smuts, Professor Gilbert Murray, Viscount Morocco within half a day's journey Grey, Mr. Asquith, and the Arch of France, experiments began on Christmas Day between Toulouse and Several addresses were delivered Robat on the Atlantic coast of and speeches made by Viscount Morocco with transformed army Grey, Mr. Asquith; and the Primate, machines .- (Havas).

#### FRENCH FLOODS.

London, December 28. The waters of the Seine are still idea of the League of Nations was rising. There is danger that the quays will soon be flooded, if the Replying to Mr. Asquith, President rainy spell continues .- (Havas).

#### FRENCH PENSIONS.

London, December 28. The French Chamber has fixed the maximum pension for injured soldiers at slightly less than £11 per year .- (Havas).

FRENCH RACING.

London, December 28. Racing will be resumed throughout France early in the coming year, the public being admitted and betting allowed on the Pari Mutuel system. An additional percentage will be deducted and dovoted to the funds for men disabled in the war.

#### AUSTRALIAN NURSING SERVICE.

When it is remembered that the total Republic they have concentrated pipulation of Australia does not exceed three divisions, totalling 19,000 men, that of Greater London, the sacrifice which between Vitebsk and Orsha. The that country has made in dispatching 1700 Polish command has already raised trained nurses to nurse the wounded may over 60,000 volunteers to oppose or ). For the last two years they have them, but these do not possess equip been playing their par a very strenuous and efficient part, in Imperial military nursing, and their numbers are by no means yet at their maximum. There is a largo reserve still at home from which The Times" Stockholm correspon- drafts of forty, fifty, or sixty a time come indepenlequival nt to the of major. Other marons
bold the rank of captain, elsters of lieuten-Bolshevist ant, and staff nurses of second lieutenant. Lett's are invading the province. The outdoor uniform consists of a darkblack- grey Norfo k jacket and and stirt, with The No. 2 Australian Auxiliary Hospital at Southall forms the headquarters of the nursing steff in England. There they arrive on re ching England, to receive at once fourteen days' leave, and from thence they are sent on to their next destination, asked Sweden to land a force. That a due number remaining to staff this hos-Government guardedly replied, but pital in the meanwhile. There is a per-The | manent Bes Transport Section, consisting of mateon, two sisters, and four staff nurses.
The nurses all engage " for the duration," but in case of disabling illness or urgent 12,079 threatened with a Bolshevist inva- family affairs are not debarred from return-

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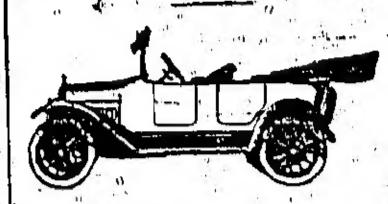
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Here stand I. Stamford Raffles, They have left me in the lurch, With my face towards the shipping, And my back towards the Church.

### SIR OLIVER LOGIC.

". Man's soul consists of the ether which holds the material body together. When the muterial body is worn ou the senercul body is as good as new, and by putting on some material concomitant can communicate with us still."-Sir Oliver Lodge, at the Royal Institution, Liverpool.

### CONDITIONS 'IN PALESTINE.

Mr. Eder and Commendators Bianchini, two members of Zionist Commission, who have visited Haifs, Salod, Tiberias, and several of the Jewish Colonies in "the newly-liberated territory of Palestine on a tour of inspection, re-

cle," who are looking forward to the pleasure of clinking real golden sovereigns. almost as scon as the war is over are doomed to disappointment. They will be required, in the national interests, to continue to think in "Bradburys" for sometime longer. It is proposed that all the gold coins in the country shall be scooped up, as it were, into the Bank of England; and a body of financial experts appointed by the Government to advise on the after war problem suggest that all and right well and willingly they have banks shall transfer any gold now held met all the demands upon their time, the war the Bank of England had about hear, will be handsomely rewarded by made to concentrate at least 150 millions, active service-

#### STAMP SHORTAGE IN CEYLON.

The stock of Toylon stamps is reported which will be surcharged to make up any cordial approval and fullest sympathy,

#### RESTAURANT STORIES.

A restaurant anecdote oregarding an American officer and "oyster patties, the former complaining that "something nasty has died in the interior of this bun," reminds a reader of an incident he witnessed earlier in the war at an hotel in which two Australian officers figured. The hunch included butter (at a time when same was allowed), but which was so worked up in appearance that from its original size of a pea it was transformed into a large curl about the thickness of tissue paper. One of the Australian officers called the waitress and asked: " Can my friend have another portion of butter, please, Miss? Unfortunately h breathed on his."

### JAPANESE IDEAS.

Mr. Kurciwa Shuroku, editor of "Yorodzu," Japan, says the peace terms port that the condition of the Colonies to be imposed upon Germany ought to be generally is satisfactory. At Tiberias as follows :- The Kaiser to be deposed there has been an outbreak of cholers, and banished to a remote island, follow The British authorities are, taking all ing the treatment of Napoleon; Germany necessary steps to cope with it. Great to be converted into a Republic on the poverty and distress prevail at Safod. model of the United States; the Allied Many Jews who were evacuated by the losses, material and moral, during the Turks are awaiting repatriction. A sum war to be computed at 1,000,000 million of 250,000 is immediately required for yen, this sum to be repaid by Germany relief in the newly-liberated territory. In yearly instalments of Y1,000,000,000 for a period of 1,000 years. Until the THE SOVEREIGN MAY DISAPPEAR. whole amount is paid off the Allied delegates to control the finances of the Ger-Those people, says the " Daily Chroni- man Republic; and Germany's oversen possessions not to be returned

### MERITORIOUS SERVICE.

That the shortage of officers of steamers trading out of Eastern ports which wa caused by the war has resulted in those remaining in the East having to do great deal of extra work is beyond doubt. writes a correspondent. They have been called upon to " do their bit " out here

#### LAND SETTLEMENT LEAGUE.

... A telegram received by the British to have come very low and the Treasury | Empire "Land Settlement League from is said to "have cabled for another" con. | the chairman of the Executive Board of signment. It is true that the current a National Committee of Patriotic Sociesupplies of 3, 6 and 10 cent stamps are ties in the United States, composed of practically exhausted, but there are large associations with over 3,000,000 members. stocks of 2 cent and of 5 cent stamps assures the British League of "their pore at one time thought of getting up a of the denominations required. Ample and adds that the American Government subscription to have the statue of Sir supplies of all values of local stamps are has appropriated £200,000 to cover the overdue and may arrive at any moment. preliminary expenses of a land settle ment scheme in America.

#### FRENCH UNIFORMS.

A French soldiers paper, " Neuf Temps," prints some hints on how to tell an officer, "First look at his right. shoulder. "If you find nothing there, look at the lower part of the upper right arm. If no chevrous are seen he is a general for generals wear their insignia on their hats. 'If he has no insignia on his hat he is a private, unless he has wings, in which case he is an avistor. Then pass to the left arm, and count chevrons there, committing the first which goes with the uniform. Next substract number of chevrons on his right arm, and multiply by number of stripes around his hat. If result is under 35 he is a Portuguese third lieutenant. When the total is over 36, try again, count chovrons on both arms and multiply by two. If total is between 50 and 56, then the object of your interest is a captain, unless in conversation, he tells you he is a major. The top of the. hat has important meaning. Red significs infantry, and blue with gold braid cavalry. If he wears no hat, he may be a Serbian colonel without his hat."

#### ARMY'S GREEN MULE.

Knightsbridge was disturbed by A.S.C. lorry drawn by two mules. One mule was poor but honest in appearance and brown in colour; the other had a delicate shade of green. The green me was solemnly unconscious of the attention it was attracting. "Effect of was outs?" asked a facetious American soldier. A workman rubbed his eyes and then muttered. "camouflage.". The A.S.C. driver looked thoroughly ashamed of the turn-out. He stopped to pick up a crate. What is the matter with your pony?" asked a mild man. "I am tired of being asked about it, and it isn't a popy, replied the driver. "It is all through the chemical. Goodness knows what colour it will be to-morrow. "Its cost was very light once, and the other mules by them to Threadneedle Street. Before their skill and their energy. Some, we used to kick it. We washed it in some chemical dye to make it darker. The 38 millions in gold in its reserve coffers, employers at an early date-probably at sorgeant can't remember the name of the and there were another. 123 millions at New Year or thereabout—and it is to be dye, and now that it is wearing off, it is the Bank and in the hands of the public hoped that the loyalty and assiduity of a different colour each day. You are the It is suggested that for the purpose of all those who had to do much over- last person I shall explain it to." Heforeign trade and for the needs of our time in the East will have no cause to drove off furiously a khaki driver on a reconstruction period, an effort should be regret their inability to have been on slate-grey lorry drawn by one honest brown mule and one shameless green one.

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### CHILD LABOUR.

The N.C. Duily News had the following reference to Miss Pitt's fecture: -Child labour in China is defended on many grounds, such as that it is necessary for the children to contribute their share "to the meagre contents of the family coffers and that when the mothers are out it is better for their offspring to be usefully employed than running about uncared for and incurring the risk of being kidnapped. In Shanghai children are set to work soon after they can walk, and although they are not found in factories, shops, etc., until a few more years have passed, yet thousands are sent out to work when they would be in the lower schools of any other country. The hours children work in local mills may not be long, from a Chinese point of view, and in the foreignowned establishments the children are better cared for than they would be if not so employed. But the day must come when compulsory education will be enforced, not only for children in factories but also for the multitude of slaves, who are infinitely worse off. The problem should be easier of solution in Hongkong, where the Government can impose its will, and therefore the southern Colony may be looked to for a lead. In the course of a lecture delivered

in Victoria last week; Miss Pitt, of Fairlean School, suggested the appointment of a woman inspector of factories; the framing of factory laws; compulsory education, including industrial and technical training for hulf of the day; the establishment of more free schools, and the provision of playgrounds where possible; laws against re-selling children and for the registration of servants; and estricted immigration. Obviously such a programme of reform would have to be taken step by step, and, so far as Shanghai is concerned much must depend upon the measures taken by the Japanese Government to suppress sweating, which is now carried on so extensively.

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Hongkong, Tursday, Dec. 31, 1918.

"FREEDOM OF THE SEAS."

British, but for all the honest seafarers | failure of the League proposuls. " of all the world. Most Britons now know what the German meant when he used the phrase. Meanly jenlous, he twisted it to mean that British Naval supremacy should be abolished. Failing to abolish it when "der Tag came, he hoped to see it belittled a consequence of negotiations arising out of America's participation in the Great Settlement. A lot of the newspaper writers seem to think also that some controversy is likely to arise between America and Britain on the right to declare contraband. Even Mr. Balfour expressed some loubt as to the nature of American. leas on the subject. Thus it appears

hat any discussion of the phrase,

"the freedom of the seas," must turn

on what President Wilson means by

Lucid as that scholarly and clear- League." idea'd man usually is, it must be confessed that there has been some excuse for misunderstanding what alike in peace and in war, except as the seas may be closed in whole or in part by international action for the "nforcement of national covenants." point overlooked is that that particular definition should not be considered separately, as 'indicating Mr. Wilson's views in any circumst-....ces; but as representing his idea in the event of his full proposals for a Lengue of Nations going through It was given out as a part of those proposals. It is here that Mr. Wilson might perhaps be accused once created, will itself be the law. In mere representative of one Power. early.

Whatsoever it wishes to do upon the seus, that will be done. Any blockade it wishes to establish wil not be hampered by partisan quibbling or neutral protest, for there will be and Red Cross work. only two parties, the League against the Rest, and there will be no people neutral. If, on the other hand, the Every good Briton, familiar with League is to come to nothing," there the glorious achievements of his is still less reason to debute the Navy, in both peace and war, knows, meaning of the phrase, since the law what he means by that phrase, "the of the seas will be established by the freedom of the seas." He knows that strongest Naval Power, whichever Wiart, his cousin, himself to take the case the chief job of the Navy has been to that will be after the next armament in hand. keep the seas free, not only for the race that must certainly follow the

> Great Britain's position cannot demonstration Sympathetic toward the League, the says: If it be established, we are loyal members of it, and our naval strength is at its service. If it be not established, we will keep our naval supremacy, cost what it may, and continue our self-sacrificing work of maintaining the freedom of the seas according to our own ideas and past record. That is reasonable enoughthough the second alternative would be a disappointing outcome of all the hopes that President Wilson's ideas have helped to encourage.

> But the attitude of Great Britain is not, and is never likely to be, that of those narrow visioned ones who cry, "Britanuia rules the waves, and

In the nature of things, in a few addresses President Wilson could not pretend to cover the whole ground. his meant by "abolute freedom of He did but indicate principles. It is a practical certainty, though be never mentioned this in outlining what Germany must restore, that he will support a British claim for "ton for ton" if it be made. It would be in full accord with his principles to do

It is to be feared that a good many arguments about the freedom of the seas arise from the conviction that nothing will come of the Langue of Nations scheme. But it it fail (and such arguments help, are possibly designed to help, it to fail) then the arguments tall to the ground anyway, since in that case Mr. Wilson ceases redundancy, for nothing is more clear to be the convenient spokesman of than that the League of Nations, civilization, and sinks to the level of night, and bookings should be made red to a "thriving" firm as "in a thlev-

In doing so, his opinion becomes merely an "ex. parte" one, and the only correct answer to it is a bigger Navy and its right (to all intents hitherto enjoyed by the British) to make its own laws.

was one nation's diplomatic procedure jusged him for 21 days. toward sanother nation, into which there is no need to enter now. President Wilson's references to the "freedom of the seas" are quite another thing, in no way related. He utters these as an international thinker and idealist, putting into words what all good men of all nations have had very much in their hearts,

LOCAL AND GENERAL

To-morrow being New Year's Day. there will be no issue of the "China Mail." We wish our readers a happy and prosperous New Year.

Advices from Manila are to the effect

of ships to Manila bay at night have been nevoked. Henceforth all ships will be permitted free pas age both day and night in o The "China Mail" acknowledges with thanks receipt of five beautiful

Calendars for the year 1919, one each from the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, the Nippon 20 p chages of cowhiles. Yusen Kaisha and the Anderson Music Company, Ltd., and two from the Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

Some people have been given the impression that the strength of all Scotch whisky has been reduced by an order of the British Government. This is correct only so far as home consumption is concerned, but whisky for export remains at the same pre-war strength.

Word ha been received from Mani's that the order of deportation against R. McCullock Dick, charged with publishing libellous articles concerning the Philippine National Guard, in the "Philippines Free Press," of which he was editor, has been fully ravoked. Governor Harrison wirelessed the revocation from Guam.

Germany, among the first to come United States in the fight for democracy isni its. were the large Chinese population in New York, San Francisco and various other American cities. In addition to this the Chinese citizens did excellent work in the Liberty Loan, campaigns

Mr. Joseph de Burlet, of Kuala So'nngor, has introduced an ac ion agrinet William Hohenzollern, ex-Kaiser of Germany," for illegal imprisonment and ill-treatment of his sister. Madame Helene de Burlet. He lus introduced the action through the Ministry of Justice in Belgium, asking His Excellency M. Henri Carton de

local branch on January 4. The bank Shun Pac-fan of the local Navy, and premises are in what was the Grand Police Commissioner Ngai Bong Ping Hotel. This building has been completely are charter members of the club. renovated and is now an imposing edifice. For a beginning the bank will specialise in Saigon, Japanese and Singapore exchange, Foreign exchange will be taken up later. The manager and staff will be At home on Jan. 4, the opening day.

We regret to learn that Lieutenant Sykes, R.G.A., who was the more seriously injured of the party in the motorcar accident between Kowloon and Tripo, on December 15, is still suffering severaly from his injuries, the muscles and flesh of his legs, and it is expected that he will resume his duty.

A new census of Chine is to be made duri g the coming year by the Chins Con tinuation Committee. Figures will be commust continue to do so, League or no | viled of the population by provinces and mental to their family. the proportion of the population in each province resident in ciries of 50,000 and over. For years the population of Chire ban been estimated at something between three hundred and fifty and four hundred millions, while many have placed it at a much higher figure.

> A large audience at the Victoria Theatre last night, was treated to queer display by the "mystery man, Mr. V. Gramby whose act with cutlery. 270. and broken glass baffled all,-while his display of strength with a weight block of granite was well applauded. Mr. Gramby's performance consisted of daring feats with sharp instruments and glass without sustaining the slightest ent or bruise-his bare footed leap from a considerable height on to a heap of glass without receiving even demand for seats should be great to-

#### THE MAGISTRACY.

TOOK SALT FOR FOOD.

A Chinese who stole 25 cattles of salt, told Mr. Wood that it wasn't his fault. He had no work and was hungry as, .The American protest at certain of well, and thought for a dinner the our Navy's doings, before America salt he would sall. Hearing the tale was in the war, was one thing. It without any amaze, the Magistrate

COAL IN THE WAY.

Mr. Agassiz appeared to defend Compradore who had obstructed Haiphong Road by leaving 22 crates of coal thereon. A fine of \$19 was imposed.

IMPROPER FISHING.

Because the fishes didn't bite, two stonecutters fished with dynamite, and now they know it wasn't right, since Mr. Wood did them invite, to pay two fines that were not light

A DISHONEST TAILOR.

black senge entrusted to him by Miss that the regulation's prohibiting theestrand; Bessie Rios, of the Telephone Exchange.

LOCAL"AND GENERAL.

On December 28, Canton sent down 50 packages of pristles destined for Marseilles. 303 packages of mitting, and for London

The Chinese Foreign Office has wired Mr. C. T. Wang, now in the U.S.A., to go to France at once to represent it at the Peace Conferenc.

To-day's return of communicable disease (for the wook) gives five cases of paratyphoid fever. Also four fatal cases enteric fever, one of babonic plague, and one of diphtheria-all Chinese.

as not elected its delegates yet for the Xavier. Peace Conference with the North. It wants movements of Northern troops to

A highly amusing programme of a co cert on the steamer "Dilwara" by When America declared war against "Percyle" Peerless Privates" has been shown to the "China Mail." The comforward and offer their services to the piler must certainy have been in high

> The weekly statement of the Hongkong Tramway Company's traffic receipts: shows \$14,039, or \$1,847 more than for the same week last year. The aggregate for the 52 weeks was \$717,662, or \$20,934 more than last year,

> The shareholders of the Canton Water upply Company hell its annual meeting is head office on the Bund December when a board of directors consisting Wong Kaiming, Pun Hui Cho, Wong Lotong, and Wong Chi-ping was elected.

· A Club for members of the Navy, Army, and Police "has been started at Canton. Military Governor Mu Ying-The Bank of East Asia in to open its haien, Admiral Lin Pao-yi, Commander

> Bishop "Maxmin Valesko," who for 44 years has been engaged in missionary work among the natives of Bac Minh., Tonguin, is at present staying with Eather Noval of the Spanish Procuration. He will leave for Manila to-morrow by the Tango maru, on his way to Palestine! to visit the Holy Places. From Palestine he will go to Spain, where he expects to enjoy a well earned rest.

It is reported that the Cantonese being torn from shoulder to elbow. The will not wash or clean their houses unfortunate officer is still without the user before passing the Chinese New Year, owing to their belief that five dragons be some months before being able to sent from heaven would invisibly occupy the walls or the floors They think that if they trouble these sacred drigons by cleaning the houses, they will be punished by the Gods in some way more or less detri-

> In the Dockyard Recreation Club at 10 p.m. last night, Mr. E. G. Kennett, Asst. Constructor, presented the prizes in connection with the recent club billiard handicap. The winners were, 1st Mr. A. G. Pile, 2nd Mr. C. James, 3rd Mr. T McCormac, 4th Mr. E. Sears. During the evening a game was played between two of the Club's leading players, and Pile, who was in capital f rm, won easily, his best break being 33. Scores, Pile 500 ; Bearne

The public sees the misprints that get by! but not the many thore that don't Semetimes it seems a most a pity. Thus, when His Excellency wished the legislators Happy New Year, the absent-minded gu Year," which might refer to a sporting perficial injuries is really marvellous. holiday or a more ominous end. Another. There will be another opportunity of in connection with a Forry celebration seeing this artist to night and judging somewhat excusably sp ke of "a flest of. from last evening's packed " house lunches." One that, fortunately for the "China Mai," was not overlooked refering condition.

#### SHIELD FOOTBALL.

NEW YEAR DAY'S PROGRAMME.

Visitors to the Happy Valley on New Year's Day have a further opportunity of seeing St. Joseph's College and South China Athletic is opposition. In consequence of the draw between these teams on Boxing Day in the first round of the Hongkong Shield Competition, arrangeto-morrow. Both teams are expected to at 10.30 a.m. field full strength, and without doubt there will be a game full of interest from beginning to end. After the game put (Capt.), R. E. O. Bird, D. M. Goodall up by St. Joseph's on the first occasion, it would be unwise to predict the result, although one feels inclined to favour the Chinese perhaps on account of their being a first division team. St. Joseph's will have to improve considerably on their form against the Staff and Depart. ments last Saturday, when they were

The other fie, which will be first on Edwards. A. Chinese tailor in Wellington Street the programme, is between the Royal was bound over in a bond of \$50, for Engineers and the Staff and Depart- (Captain), Yew Man Tsun, W. Hall, G. dishonestly pawning five yards of ments. Here again it is a case of Hall, H. J. Kew, C. O. Danenberg, a first division against a second divi- Eung" Man Tsui, Chan Wing To, R. sion team. One must assume the Royal Anderson, Chow Yat Cheong and A. A. Engineers' will win, "although the sappers are not by any means formidable this year and the Staff team have a good defence.

result for them at that.

Particulars of the matches, probable teams, etc., follow:-

Royal Engineers v. Staff and Departments. Club ground at 2.30 p.m. Referee, Mr. Lonch. South China Athletic v. St. Joseph's

College. Club ground at 4 p.m. Rev eree, Mr. F. W. Wright. Probable teams

South China Withletic .- Lau Hing Cheong; Fung Tai, Cheung Wing Hon; Chan So, Loung Fuk Tong, Loung Tai-Fong; . Ko Sik Wai, Tin Koon Shan, Wong Pak Cheung, Au Kit Sang, Kwok D.m. Po Khan. St. Joseph's, College .-- U. Omar; W.

Ogley, E. P. Hyndman S. Sepher, S. Marcal, P. "Navier; R. Omar, E. R. The National Assembly at Canton Hyndman, E. Moos een, J. Silva, L. Royal Engineers. - Heath; Blumfield,

> Lawrence; Smith, Charters, Connell; Brock, Millard, Jarvis, Townsend, Staff and Departments.-Glenny;

Wain, Scoular; Strange, Knight, Sherrif; Kirby, Brown, Street, Ellarby, Birch.

88th Co. B.G.A. v. 87th Co. R.G.A.

This 2nd Division League match was played at Happy Valley yesterday, with the result that the SSth. Co. progressed little up the lengue ladder. Play yesterday was no exception but the sacredly guarded by those most 88th Co. had the best of it. During petent to judge what ought to be done goal at halftime. During the second half the 88th Co. continued to press strongly, and this brought out the sterling back play of Whilding. However Leatherland contrived to score.

thus putting his team two up. Result: 88th Co. R.G.A., 2; 87th Co. R.G.A. Referee, Mr. Tucker.

#### YAUMATI

#### EXCITING PURSUIT.

About five men, one of whom was armed with a revolver, entered the house of a timber-dealer at Reclamation Street yesterday evening at 7.30, and demanded his valuables. The contractor blew his whistle, and robbers, taking alarm, fled. Before escaping, one of them stole a goldmounted bangle valued at \$15 from the contractor's daughter. At Fyle Street the robbers were fired upon by-Mr. Lewis Singh, of the Kwong Yu firm, and by a Chinese constable on duty. The shots evidently missed, for the robbers, were able to make their escape. The man with the revolver turned into Argyll Street, when he was met by a Chinese constable who, on attemp several times, but fortunately the shots missed. This desperado then jumped into a nullah and escaped in the directation Corps Rifle Meeting will tion of Hunghom.

#### CANADIAN BUILDERS INTERESTED IN CANTON HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT.

Mr. T. R. E. MicInnes, a Canadian awyer, is paying Cauton a visit, looking particularly into the possibility of assisting in the development of street traffic there. Mr. MacIones is very much interested in watching the work of taking down the ancient city wall. He was there two years ago representing the Pacific Construction Company of Vancouver. At that time he printer made it " a Happy Valley New submitted a proposi ion to the then Governor Chu Ching-lan of taking down the w.lls and building and operating a a amway on the roads thus given. This scheme may now materia ize practic lly as proposed some two years ago by Mr. MacInnes. is understood that other Canadian constructors are now looking for this kind of work in Ohina .- Canton Times:

#### HOLIDAY CRICKET.

TO-MORROW'S MATCHES.

Hongkong Residents v. Kowloon Residents. On the H.K.C.C. ground at

University Past v. Present. On the Mail gave early news :---University ground at 11 a.m.

THURSDAY. ments have been made for the replay Fane's XL. On the University ground with a view to securing the safety

> Selected teams :-Hongkong Residents .- T. E. Pearce E. W. Hamilton, Signalman Hack, M. M. Maas, Paymaster Robinson, F. J.

de Rome, F. Sutton, R. P. Thursfield

and Capt. Wahl." Kowlcon Residents. - J. P. Robinson (Capt ), L. J. Blackburn, A. E. Wood, Capt. E. H. Gray, C. J. Stapleton, H. only capable of a draw, and a fortunate H. Taylor, R. Pestonji, C. P. James, F. Wheeler, A. de Sousa and E. J.

University Past, -A. H. Rumjahn

University Present .- W. Gittens (Captain), D. K. Samy, Lem Keog Sim, Yeoh Teik Ee, Cheah Kong Sing. Chao Man Ping, R. A. Basto, J. Du, Wright, F. A. Redmond, G. E. Marley and R.

Ponsonby Fane. Mr. Do Sousa's XI.: A. de Sousa (Capt.) J. P. Robinson, C. J. Stapleton, C. P. James, F. Wheeler, H. Ching. rence. Gunner Baines, and H. H. Tayler. At the University Past and Present | tion of the Harbour Master. .. match the Chairman and Secretary of the University C.C. are entertaining the teams and officials of the Union

inncheon and the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. | nre considerably in excess of Govern-G. P. Jordan, will be pleased to see members and their friends at tea at 4.

#### STON HENGE DIS-COVERIES.

on Salisbury Plain, has passed from the nation. The gift of Mr. C. H. E. Chubb, a local landowner, of Bemerton Lodge, Salisbury, it was accepted on tion by Sir Alfred Mond, First Commissioner of Works.

In accepting the deed of the gift from Mr. Chubb, who made the presentation from the top of one of the huge stones, between these teams is always keen and | Sir Alfred said the monument would be the first half Moss opened the scoring with it. There had been much criticism for the 88th Co. and they led by this of the fencing; but it would be impossible to leave the monument entirely unguarded. It was proposed, by means of a sunken fence, to afford the necessary protection without offending , the eye.

> He also hoped that it would be possible to extend the important excavations which had already been made on the site. There were in the museum some of the stone implements with which the huge stones Temple of Stonehenge were dressed and ther discoveries would be made which would throw further light on the history of the monument.

Sir E. H. Read, of the British Museum, said there was little doubt that in its earliest history Stonehenge was communal property, and it was remarkable that after passing through many hands for three thousand years it should again be owned by the com-

#### HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Orders by Major H. A Morgan, Administrative Commandant.

The Officers of the Hongkong Defence Corps invite all members of the Corps to search him, was fired at point-blank to a Smoking Concert at the Theatre Royal on Friday the 110th January, 1919 at 9 p.m., at which the prizes won presented by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government. dress uniform.

> G. E. STEWART, Captain, Hongkong, Dec. 31, 1918.

#### AN AUSTRALI NAVY

The Acting Minister for the Navy (Mr. Poynton) is a strong advocate of the view that in preparing for defence in the future carnest consideration should be given to the question of sea

Sir Joseph Cook is at present engaged in making investigations into the question, and the appointment of a firstclass expert in this branch of defence is practically decided upon.

of ship-building will be inaugurated, not of battleships, but of submarine craft. It is expected that the Flinders will be available as a naval base early

#### FERRIES TO KOW WEST.

THE NEW PEOPLE'S FEI

Here are further details of new Ferry service starting to-d row, about which Monday's Ch

This is the first series of Fern under the Ferries Ordinance, 101 whereby the Government secure Mr. De Sonza's XI v. Mr. Ponsonby control of these "communications and convenience of the public, and improving the speed and regularity of the services.

Three distinct ferrics, will be run follows :-

(1) To and from Jubille Street Pier (Central Market) to Public Square Street, Yaumati, every 15 minutes from 5 a.m. to 9 p.m. and every 205 minutes from 9 p.m. to mid-

(2) To and from the New Western Market Pier Morrison Street) to Shantung Street. Mongkoktsui, every 15 minutes from 5 a.m. to 9 p.m. and every 20 minutes from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m.

(3) To and from Eastern Street Pler (West Point) to Samsuipo every 30 minutes from 5 a.m. to 10 p.in.

The Government provides and maintains the piers, and the Kau Lung Sze Yeuk Kai Fong Ferry Co., Lide, whose tender was accepted, have prepared twelve large launches for the service. Each launch is required to be over 70 feet long, to pass a speed test of 94 knots and to A. J. Kaw, Corpl. Waller, L.-Cpl. Law-, be fitted with a navigation bridge. bulkheads and grille to the satisfac-

All the launches have been thoroughly tested by the Government to Marine Surveyor, and most of them ment requirements in size and speed. Each launch has an upper deck for first class passengers, for whom

also the bow space is reserved .. The second class accommodation is under the bridge and the rest of the launch is available for third cines.

The launches are painted gray with yellow funnels bearing a large "S," and carry the design of a flying ship Stonebenge, the historic monument on their flag. The largest launch " Fee Wan " (Flying Cloud) is the private ownership into the custody of flagship of the fleet; she is 96 feet long and will be employed on the run to Yaumati.

Punctuality of service is secured. by heavy penalties and two launches behalf of the Clovernment and the na- are kept in reserve in case of accidents. Altogether the service promises to be vust improvement on the former haphazard arrangement.

As its name (the Kowloon Four Districts People's Ferry Co.) implies, t the capital is held by the people of Kowloon West, whose nim it is torun the Fernies rather for the convenience and development of their listricts than for the sake of earning dividends.

The Yaumati Ferry will provide: an alternative route from the City to King's Park and its surroundings, and across King's Park to Hunghom : the Mongkok Ferry affords the shortest and quickest route to Station and its environs and also to the Taipo and Kowloon City Roads.

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#### A LEAGUE OF NATIONS CATECHISM.

In many, newspapers, there is reluctance to discuss President Wilson's for a League of Nations. Apparently editors, while not opposing on the 19th December after o'ght months the idea, still have certain misgivings. Mr. P. W. Wilson has therefore written out a number of questions to which answers are suggested. It may be that this slight catechism may help to clear last, and has since been operating in the

Would not the mere mention of such

auch discussions proceeding, the manpower and output of munitions are to-day at the maximum. And it is

a pacific gubteriuge for compromise them dying from this disease, with Germany h

It is in fact "the reverse. Only a Germany purged of autocracy can be admitted to the League. It is the pan-Germans therefore who among the enemy are most bitterly opposed to joining. The Lengue therefore must be based on victory. Compromise would consequent upon the recent conclusion of leave Germany still in military des. the armistice treaty, the Japanese Govpotism, able once more to set up a lemment in ready to abolish the War balance of power against free peoples, Marine Re-insurance Board subject to an which was the situation that collapsed understanding to be reached among the

With Asia and America involved such a balance of power would be on broader lines, and if it collapsed in the same way the disaster would be so much the greater.

Will not the constitution of the and easy sense of security?

It will be the opposite of this. Every peace means a treaty. Every treaty is

With a League, the paper is guaranteagainst the strong nations. It is untrue that the Belgian treaty was a more scrap of paper. That was only Germany's conception of it and she now knows better.

The League proposes a more conclusive guarantee, by the new world as well as the old, endorsed by democracies as well as diplomatists, the most powerful instrument in history.

Every nation would know that the superfluous police. guarantee could only be challenged at extreme peril. Every nation, thus witally concerned, would watch vigilant" military service after the war. ly against the danger of such challenge. . What this war has shown is that on the whole good faith is stronger than faith would be organized.

Does not the President state that the League must only be started at the Peace Table, and is it not therefore premature for the rest of us to talk the nursery of a fine citizenship and about it at this stage!

The President appealed to the Prime Ministers of the Allies to lead discussion. I that went wrong. His view is that peoples as well as statesmen are concerned. He refuses League of Service in which such surplus hind closed doors.

. If liberty and law are to be respected, liberty and law must be defined and command of the sea and strategic understood as in the American Con- positions like Suez, Gibraltar an stitution and the Declaration of Inde- Panama? Would this be safe ! ...

the boycott of Germany after the war before the war she used her nava Without a League no boycott is possible because a boycott must include time advantages for herself. This she neutral nations. The President reserves denies. Her claim is that she held the to the League a right of boycott and is seas, in so far as she did hold them, for the forces of the present time with the his neighbours, the Japanese, he has little belping to organize a control of raw the benefit of all mankind. materials, foodstuffs, mercantile marine and cables. With our victory, over Germany complete, and German autocracy destroyed, there will be the less is already merged in an international point of pride that I venture to enter- in current affairs I did find when I need to employ economic weapons after force to which it may well be that the tain, it is that it has been my privilege called at the places frequented by the

should be restored to power, and if co-operation, so far from being unwel- great nation, and I feel that in honour- face to face with perils unimagined in foment it. All that President Wilson taining the security of trade routes. has said is in effect that the boycott as a judicial operation must not be used. for national or personal profit. The League must adopt the standards of an. international court of law, served by international force to punish and to prevent international crime.

Free Trade 1

The answer is, no. Many people tendency were to be disclosed. think that tariffs produce ill feeling, but at this moment Australia is raising her national sovereignty."

At the same time the influence of the League would be valuable in mitigating extreme fiscal rivalries and in preventing fiscal oppression like that of Austris-Hungary on Serbia. It would be open for the United States herself to consider the moral and material advan- if Germany were to be removed to antage of raising or lowering her tariffs at other planet, this is not a practicable the time when wages and profits are proposal. As individuals we may inflated. It would be open to the decline to associate with Germans or to League to devise safeguards of inter- deal in German goods, but European . national application against competition by ill-paid labour, whether Asiatic or at a distance of three thousand miles.

I must here make my own position clear by adding that our experience in that in her midst is this population of a England is that low wages are always bundred million German speaking expensive. On the whole the best paid neople. We cannot help ourselves. labour leads to the chenpest production. The problem for statesmen to consider totwelveper cont. for the payment of indem-The Lancashire cotton trade is an illus- is how to relieve countries like France, nivies. From 1918 to 1932, China with

discipline of universal military service!

#### JAPAN DESTROYER SQUAD-RON RETURNS.

The 13th destroyer squadron, consist ing of the destroyers Nagatuthi, Minateuki, Utiuki, and Uikulsuki, under command of Commander Horiuchi, To urned to Kure absence in the South Sizs, where it discharged the duty of clearing commercial routes. The equation le't Kura in April waters near Singapore. The destroyers have challenged about 3,000 ships, of whi

'n League have diverted the popular 40 were ordered to stop and were examinmind from the sole task of winning ed. Starting on their return trip, they arrived in Manila on Novembur 28th, and This has not been our experience in stayed there until the end of that month. Britain where the idea of a League has The Commanders of the destroyers eng been talked about for years. With that while at Blavila they received very cordial consideration from the American authorities. The squadron has craised among the workers that the League is 18,000 miles, coaling only once at Manila most popular. No other American This is a very satisfactory record. While tried to promote in the United States, I President in his term of office has on patrol duty the des'r yers discovered a am tempted to venture upon a favourite dare to express the utterly insignificant. enjoyed Mr. Wilson's influence in mine, but saw no trees of the enemy. The theme. crows suffered severely fr m heat, while 150 Is not a League of Nations really a men were attacked by tinfluence, tive of chief object of education was to awaken

#### WAR TIME MARINE RE-INSURANCE SERVICES.

Now that the war rishs have vanished of men who had penetrated to the Allied Powers.

not quite appreciate the European attitude towards conscription. We are League he a mere scrap of paper, fighting to get rid of it. Burdened by of the high tradition of men, reminiscent Chinese interest in the war is not solely designed to bull democracies into a false | debt, no nation can afford it. It means bankruptcy after the war and revolu- obscure but others clearly revealed to the quarter holds, in secret places, War

Our fear is that if all our citizens are soldiers, so also will be every Chinese, else to be free. The triumph of freedom | Numbers of little stores and laundries ed by force. Without the League, there every Indian, every African, and every is no guarantee for the weak nations German. This war has taught us that of armaments you cannot say "Thus far shalt theu go and no further." Armaents, must be brought under controlor nations must exist for nothing else.

erime so as to relieve society from

The world will need an immense army of, doctors, nurses, missionaries, bad faith. Under the League good civil servants, scientists, explorers, who and aggression are planned or contem- the news without a word of comment or will combat pain, ignorance, disease, plated, this scarching light of conscience change of expression, and as stolidly prejudice and ancient cruelties.

In vocational schools we shall fine personal courage. It was the surplus energy of Germany

The League of Nations will be a perpetuating human life."

Is it proposed to sacrifice Britis

Does not a League of Nations destroy of "the Seas," because it suggests that predominance in order to obtain mari- the acceptance of the truth, the fight.

terms which do not needlessly challenge have devoted themselves, has prevailed celebrations of the glory of war; only of traditional pride. But the British navy and is triumphant. If there is one personal combat. Some sharper interest United States will in future years in some measure to interpret the un- seafaring Chink. These men, whose On the other hand, if autocracy make the largest contribution. Such liversity spirit in the public life of a every voyage from London brings them Germany is bent on further trouble the come to Britain, relieves her of what used ing me to-day in this unusual and con- other years, realise the war as a personal League will deprive her of the means to to be her sole responsibility for main- spicuous manner you have first of all thing

Moreover, it would convince any aggressive naval power that the game of competition in dreadnoughts, etc., is played out. There appears to be little popular demand for the surrender of the above-mentioned strategic positions to international control. "But a League Does not the League mean Universal of Nations would be a safeguard against the abuse of such control, if any such

The case of Constantinople is obviously different. It has never been free for customs against Great Britain while commerce in the sense that Gibraltar remaining within the British Empire and Suez were free. As for the right and fighting in defence of it. In this of blockade in time of war, this would matter the League does not infringe be under a League of Nations precisely that weapon of hoycott which has been already discussed.

> How is it possible for any of us to have any dealings with Germany after

In many ways, it would be convenient! countries are not situated like America from the Fatherland.

The position of Europe will always be overshadowed them for so many years. the sum of Tis. 35,350,150.

#### PRESIDENT WILSON AT THE SORBONNE.

The telegram we had a few days ago about the Sorbonne's compliment President Wilson, in making him Doctor "honoris casua," was fairly com. plets, but the following text includes matter that was emitted.

President Wilson, in acknowledging the honour, said :-

"Mr. President, Mr. Rector: I feel very keenly the distinguished bonour which has been conferred upon me by the great University of Paris and it is very delightful to me also to have the honour of being inducted into the great company of scholars whose life and fame have made the history of the University of Paris a thing admired among men cultivation in all parts of the world. By what you have said, Sir, of the theory of education which has been followed in France, and which I have

"I have always thought, Sir, that the | brain!" the spirit, and that inasmuch as sion of the spirit of mankind, the best to himself. induction into education was to feel the pulses of humanity which had beaten from age to age through the utterances secrets of the human spirit. And. agree with the indication which has been conveyed to-day that the terrible war through which we have passed has not been only a war. been also a war between the systems of culture-the one system, the impressive system, using science without moral restraints, and using every faculty of the human mind to do wrong to the

in this war means that spirits of that sort | have sent amiable sons to the various now dominate the world. There is a Chinese Labour Battalions to work great wind of moral force moving behind the lines in France. Among the through the world, and every man who younger of these that remain an academic opposes himself to that wind will go interest in the war map shows itself. down in disgrace. "The task of those who are gathered | account by one elderly fellow, who reads The League would limit armaments to make the settlements of this peace is than many Londoners of the Limehouse

heed the mandates of mankind we shall Front and a large blackboard. make ourselves the most conspicuous! On this blackboard he writes, in There are other and severer calls for and deserved failures in the history of Chinese characters the news of the sacrifice and discipline, even than the world. My conception of the day from the London papers; and military service after the war. League of Nations is just this, that it thither-the boys, go in their crowds shall operate as the organized moral to learn the latest developments-on force of men throughout the world, and payment of a halfpenny at the door. will be turned upon them, and men steal away.

against the fortunes of the world?" most questions. If the Central Powers remained, as ever impassive. They had dared to discuss the purposes of heard the news, but to them it had no this war for a single fortnight, it direct application. private conference with the enemy be- energy will be devoted to uplifting and "if, as" should be, they were forced to don't like war. Death for the glory of discuss it for a year war would have their ancestors is one thing, to which been inconceivable. So I feel that this will go willingly; war is quite another war is, as has been said more than once thing. to-day, intimately related with the The trivial things for which others

everywhere will ask. 'What are the pur-

intolerant of everything that seeks to will fight for is his personal dignity; retard the advancement of ideals, for all other causes he is too proud to purification of life; and every Personal insults he will avenge—if it university man can ally himself with takes him ten years to do it; but, unlike feeling that now at last the spirit of interest in warfare. It is too impersons. The case should therefore be put in truth, the spirit to which universities Nowhere in Chinese poetry do you find honoured the people whom I represent. But here, again, the torpedoed men The spirit that I try to express I know did not call down imprecations on to be their spirit, and in proportion as I Germany, or express a wish to torture serve them I believe that I advance the the Kaiser, or fight anything wearing cause of freedom. I, therefore, wish to the Garman uniform. Their desire was thank you. Sir, from the bottom of my to visit vengeance upon the person of heart for a distinction which has in a the individual who torpedoed them, or singular way crowned my academic upon his household. No substitute

#### CHINESE - EDUCATION.

A movement has been launched by the guaranteed thirty years old-and good leading universities in Peking and Nank. ing, the American Returned Students' Club in Shangh i and the Society for Constructive End-avour for the jemission of the Boxer indemnity by all the Powers to be used for educational purposes. Suggestions to utilise the funds for the constructions of mu coms, municipal theatres, libraries, music hal's, educational institutions and scho'ar hips were made in a lengthy article circulated and signed by the organisations represented.

Some interesting facts were disclosed by the ar icle. It says that whi eathe annual nut onal revenue of China is \$385,000,00 only me to one and a half porcent. Is expend ed for educational, purposes and from nine Italy and Switzerland and Belgium have to pay yearly on that account the sum Will not the League dispose of the flow from the terrible menace which has of TI-, 24 483,800 and from 19 13 to 1940

### LONDON'S CHINATOWN.

Mr. Thomas Burke, the author "Limehouse Nights", prints the following stuff about London's China.

Beautiful Sons, have you eaten your rice?" I inquired as I entered the store of Mr. Wong Lee, in the Chinatown of Limehouse, "This one desires a tin of lychees and would inquire on behalf of an Office of Printed Leaves what the exalted keeper of this elaborate house of merchandise has to say upon the

Whereto Mr. Wong hee replied 'How should this utterly debased person, who dares to stand before noble and refined one who has honoured this totally inadequate hovel with his symmetrical presence, thoughts that pass though his miserable

matter of the Great War."

From this I understood that the war iterature whenever it touched its had hit him rather hadly, and that, as great and higher notes was an expres- a Chinaman; he was keeping his sorrows

Pursuing my inquirer in more amenable quarters I found that the chief war bardship of Chinatown was expressed in the word "Tea." Before the rationing of tea hundreds of customers from the other end of London came to Chinatown for the odorous and delectable suey sen to be bought there; but between nations, but that it has to register at a shop some six miles away was too much to ask of them. So the suey sen is no more; and Mesars. Lee and Wong and Ling fold their Americans, unexhausted by war, may conscience, stripping learning of its bands scross their stomachs and seldom

A crawl through Pennyfields and the whole race; the other system reminiscent | Causeway showed, however, that the of all those struggles, some of them financial. Certainly, every house in the historian, of men of indomitable Bonds and War Savings Certificates; spirit everywhere struggling towards but many establishments have a more the right and seeking above all things direct interest in the course of things.

This has already been turned to good

here, or will presently be gathered here, and speaks English much more fluently to use by itself against any recalcitrant greatly simplified by the fact that they district. He has a room of his own in member. The aim would be to reduce are masters of no one; they are the one of the many lodging bouses, and servants of mankind, and if we do not in this room, is a map of the Western

that whenever or wherever wrong They enter the room stolidly, read

It is the same in the streets and bars: poses that you hold in your heart Recently, when numbers of people in the East End allowed their feelings of "Just a little exposure will settle an incipient maffick, the Chinese

would have happened, and They are all for the Allies, but they

university spirit. The university spirit; fight are beneath a Chinaman's notice; is intolerent of all the things that put it would outrage his private honour to Britain dislikes the phrase, "Freedom the human mind under restraint. It is fight for them. The one thing that he

would satisfy them. Meantime, apart from the scarcity of tes, Chinatown goes on much as before. The restaurants are well filled, and white customers are frequent."

The stores still have supplies of lychees, water lily flour, seaweed, bitter melon, shark's fins and vintage eggsbusiness is done in decorated ginger-jars and carvings of ivory and coral.

Opium pipes, however, are as scarce as tea though one would expect these to be at a discount since opium is forbidder under D.O.R.A. But owners are not selling; they are keeping them for botter days, when, they hope, the old freedom to smoke will be restored.

RED CROSS FLOWER STALL

The sale of reses and flowers organised by Mr. R. A. Nicholson and Mrs. Harrington at the Hongkong Hotel has realised a sum of \$666.76 up to December

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### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The S.S. "Sulyang." brought to the Colony yesterd y from Shanghai the final batch of ponies, eight in number, and these were draw for at 5 p.m. at the Jookey Club stab'es. Mr. T. F. Hough had charge O Serene Father of a Hundred of the drawing which resulted as follows, No. Colour.

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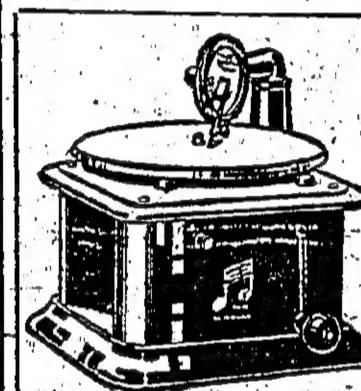
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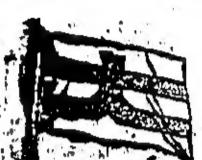
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Kepong, Kajang and Kamunting. Now we hear that the Hyeleong! which has been doing patrol work, with Rangoom'as its headquarters, is in Singapore and at present being turned over to her owners by the Government. Also it is said that the Kamunting, Kepong and Kajang are now on their way back to the Straits from Mesopotamia, so presumably the New Year will "bot have advanced very far before these fine vessels will resume duty in these waters to the advantage alike of shippers and the travelling public, with whom they had gained. great popularity prior, to their with-

The news telegraphed by Reuter a day or two ago, that the terms of the prolongation of the armistice include insistence upon the surrender to the control of the Allies of two and one-half million tons of German shipping for conveying. food stuffs to the Huns should be particularly glad tidings, seeing that it will almost certainly result in the release of a corresponding amount of British and Allied tonnage from transport and other

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the part of the drawer.

It is now reported that in Osaka, Mr.

Shimidan Gendatau, Mr. Suddo Kichizo,

Mr. Amahar Shoichi, Mr. Takaoka Taro,

his ruin. It seems that he cornered

adjusting its affairs secretly. A similar

state of affairs is also said to exist

#### THE RAUB AUSTRALIAN GOLD MINING CO, LTD.

#### MANAGER'S REPORT FOR FOUR WEEKS ENDING NOVEMBER 80, 1918.

Gentlemen, F-herewith beg-to-hand milling operations for four weeks anding and some evaporated applies, and had no shows prices even higher than those of

November 30, 1918. The accompanying sheet of mine, measurements and assay returns shows a total of 326 ft., made up of 48 ft. driving, and \$78 ft. crossentting; as sgainst a total of 301 ft. for the pravious four

"BUKIT KOMAN MINE 940 it, Level.—Owing to the presence of water the measurements on this level

have not been taken. 840 ft. Level.-At about 230 ft. from the shalt the drive to the winze from the 740 ft. level has been restarted and taken 3 ft. Total distance 14 ft. The lode 53 ins.

wide assays 1; dwt. 840 ft. Level,—The north drive on the the frozen continent. ing a total of 252 ft. The lode is low describes his experiences as follows.

Above the 840 ft. level, one stope; lode 145 ins. wide, worth 5 dwts.

Above the 740 ft. level, two stopes lode 181 ins: welth 8 dwts. Above the 640 ft. level, two stopes, lode 164 inst. wide worth 51 dwts. Above the 540 ft. level, one stope, icde 164 ins. wide, worth 13 dwts.

ANDERSON MINE. messurements were unobtainable. In the crosscut east a lode had been struck but not passed through when work was

lode matter is low grade. ....

been driven 8 ft. making a total of 1,450 of going back.

bringing the total to 74 ft. The lode 67 coal ravine. ins. wide assays 9 dwts.

Crosscutting.-For stope-filling, 103 ft.

Above the 380 ft. level, two stopes. hardanips and supering started. Leaving the mouth of the river, we per lb. against 29c. in 1917, 22c per lb. 108, ms. wide, worth 41 dwts. Ede 120 ins. wide, worth 5 dwts.

20 ins. wide, worth 41 dwts 107 ins. wide, worth of dwts.

mesuring 60 ins. wide assaying 11 dwts.

Driving to the north and south has been taken 8 ft. each way and the values show an improvement. Crosscutting. - For stope-filling, 102 ft.

. Stope. One stope has been worked on a a lode 35 ins, wide assaying 61 dwt.

The month of Nevember was an exceptionally wet one and the water caused us considerable troubling anderground. Milling sheet for 4 weeks ending Nov. 20, 1918.

Bukit Koman.-50 stamps ran 25.44 days. Lost time 2.56 days due to power, repairs, and usual clean up. STONE CRUSHED :-

Koman ... ... in Derricks... Junction ... 3,606 tons.

Huntington Mills.—(2) ran 20,79 days. Lost time 7.21 days due to shortage of labour, power, and nauel causes. SURFACE ORR TREATED :-

Koman ... ... Anderson ... 2,464 tons.

Total ore crushed in Koman Mills ... 6.070 tons. 774 766.8 Huntington Mill 243 69 68.58

82 81.2 Total ... 2,119 925 916.43 Bukit Malacca.—(2) Huntington Mills ran 23.4 days. Lost time 4.6 days due to on

power, repairs, and clean up, Surface Ore Crushed :--

... 1,772 2,954 tons. Amalgam collected 628 ozs. producin

297 oza. retorted gold yielding 294.27 oza. smeltod go'd. Average yield per ton, Stamps 4.253 dwk Koman H.

Malacca H. Average value of Tailings .... 1783 Torals. Ore crushed Amalgam ecl-

Bmeltod gold... 1,210,690; Finences of bullion 914/1600 W. H. MARTIN,

Ceneral Manager.

### LOST IN ARCTIC.

With one companion and seven Melamute dogs, Alexander Smith, explorer and "musher of Alaska was lost seven days and nights in the Arctic Ocean, northeast of Behring Straits, affoat in the ice in a poling boat 32 ft long and 34 in. wide. Whet had bothing to eat but four and water, dried beans

Smith told the story of his hardships on his arrival in San Francisco recently, He has come from the Northland, where lived for thirty years, to go overseas

For seven days these companions of the Arctic floated east with the ice until a south wind sprang up, which become, a up a path or lead in the drifting ice. took them back almost providentially to the extreme northern shores of the continent's few weeks ago. Un the shore to the United States. As the aggregate again, they met members of the Stefansto be the leader of their pack.

In the course of their explorations. fields in places 200 feet high. They of the United States, and extending also located a hugo lake of oil, gushing of the United States, and extending into the snowy waste from the heart of through the entire year, the average Smith, a stockily built Scotsman,

We-William Berry and myself- barometer of world prices in the article started on our trip teward the Arctic The "average annual import prices" grade. The "average annual import prices" of the Crosscutting. For stope filling, 54 ft. Ocean in the end of July, 71917, and quoted by the bank in its discussion of the Crosscutting. wound up just about a year later. At Bettles, in the timber belt on the mountain side, we built our boat, for entire importation for the entire fiscal which we felled the trees and whipsawed year of the article in question, showing on rollers and pulled her over the Arctic total quantity and total value as reported the lumber. Then we placed the boat Rockies, a feat never before secom to the Custom House, and by dividing Vidiostock. 6a.

plished.

""It took us seven days to make five the quantity into stated value the miles, pulling the boat from the Behring average import price per unit of quantity "Hakodate ...

we had the misfortune to lose our entire curate barometer of average world prices outfit when our boat got caught in a in the article in question. been advanced 16 ft. Total 824 ft. The out, with the exception of a sack of imported, 1918 average price figures

the east branch 7 ft. has been added triver ran, therefore through a veritable

Above the 260 ft. level, one stope, lode carried up away from the contains up to

as if they knew the danger we were in. \$3.09 per lb. in 1915. and knew that all there was to be done was to remain quiet. When their hun-

They smell land, I told my companion, Nonsense, he said. I'll stake my life

We had a hard job in landing through, 1918 41.6c. per 15, against 30.8c. in 1917, ward we saw the low coast line: of ice that has been buttered into small; pieces by the waves breaking on the But we managed to get through, landing eventually and praising Prolike another Colombus. dogs ran and scampered over the

for a mi'e before they became quies "The first thing we did was some driftwood, make a fire as Then we converted into a sledge and decided to Point Barrow overland. We native Eskimo 'igloo' and old food in the form of dried w I could not chew it. so, seeing tion, the old square chewed in for me. It was not pleasant, Stefansson expedition, and they

well as some food.

Soon after we ran across a lake of the in-1915. Stanks bemp averaged in ously gave us a dog to lead our pages violes Point Tangant about a quarter of 1918 \$2.33 per ton, against \$180; per ton mile from the ocean. There were about in 1918 and flax on 1918 \$1,037.71 per ten acres of oil. gushing into the snow, top against 8207.37 in 1914. and blundered into it before we were with the greatest difficulty. We found lower. The average import price of the aware extricating ourse ves and teams. the oil to be a lubricating oil, and the coffee brought into the country in 101. peculiarity of this lake is that it runs in winter and congeals in summer. eventually arrived at Point Barrow suitable for vigar wrappers was \$1.21 per outfitted again. Thence we went south, while po aross imported in June, 1918, where there was a small post, where we

and had another narrow escape when on averaged \$1.02 per bushel, against \$2.27, the mouth of Pitmega river to per bu hel in June, 1917, Point Hope, we were caught in the Bob-"On arriving at Point Hope wo ate heartily and, being famished, became ill for several days. This was practically the end of our suffering though my part

ner's feet were frozen subsequently." Smith says he wants to got over to Ho This five brothers in the Smith is known as Alaska's accord Kwangchowwan Bay have decided to mestner of the samona Scott Affan of and the Civil Administration in Canton

### WORLD PRICES.

### FURTHER ADVANCE.

Norld prices continue to advance. compilation by the National City Bank of New York, showing the average import prices in the fiscal year 1918, of a large number of articles representing production in every section of the world. 1916, 1915, and the fiscal year 1914. These average import price figures of

great articles of commerce are an exceptionally accurate method of measuring broadly the advance in world prices The import price of each article bro ght into the country represents its selling value the country from which it is exported importation of any given article represents in most cases the product of several different countries and covers large num-They bers of importations through many ports, figures may be accepted as a reliable .

Strait over the 'Divide' to the Arctic for the entire year is obtained. If the slope, with the assistance of our seven average monthly import price is desired, dogs and a block and tackle. Seven it is obtained by utilising the month's inches was the longest stretch we were import figures by the same process. A giver able to move her at one time. Thus the lower levels have been flooded and we worked day and night until we hit comparison of these annual or monthly "On our way down the Colville river of the proceeding periods supplies an ac-

In nearly all of the important articles Confinuing our way, we passed for four as an example, of which the imports are The lode 64 ins. wide gives b dwts. days, making 30 miles a day, through the drawn from more than a score of most remarkable coal deposits in the world. countries and representing every grand ton. per ton.

160 ft. Level.—To the drive south on the river 200 feet highwin places. The the average import price in 1918 was 54c. per 15. against 86c. per 15. in 1917, "The coal was both lignite and bitumin- 28c. per lb. in 1916 and 23c. per lb. in ous, and was of such quality that it would burn in an open camp fire. Thus we made 1915. Combing wool averaged in 1918 our way down the river until we reached | 61c. per lb., sgainst 30c. per lb. in 1817 Above the 480 ft. levely one stope, lode the Arctic ocean on the extreme northern 28c. per 1b. in 1916 and 25c. per lb. in

In copper of which the imports were lost sight of the land and found that the drawn from different countries, repre-Lbove the 460 ft. level, two stopes, lode ice was drifting eastward, and we, two ment senting Europe, North and South foling boat.

Foling boat.

We drifted for seven days, with no price of the importation of 1918 in the food for the dogs, and only flour form of pigs, ingots, etc., was 26. 2c. per food for the dogs, and only flour form of pigs, ingots, etc., was 26. 2c. per DERBICK'S SHAFT.

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Raw sugar averaged in 1918 4.8c. per ger became unbearable we cut up our lb. against 4.3c. per lb. in 1917, 8.7c. per ger pecame unbeatain boots.—and fed | b. in 1916, 8.2c. per lb. in 1915 and 2c. Thus, in the ice and silence of the per lb. in 1914. Tin, drawn from every polar seas, the days went and the nights available tin-producing area of the came and still we were drifting east- world, averaged in the fiscal year 1918 ward. Then suddenly the wind changed opened up to the south and a 'lead' opened up 35.3c. in 1916 and 32.4c. in 1915. Mackerel, of which the imports of 1018. and. One morning our dogs suddenly were 18,000,000 lb., averaged 27,72c. per seemed to come to life again, to take an lb. in 1918, against 10.98c. per lb. interest in their surroundings, and they lifted their heads, shiffing the sin. 1914. Cheese, drawn from Canada, Mexico, the West Indian Islands, Argentinu, on their instinct, I said. Soon after. Australia, French Africa and half-ndozen European countries, averaged in

23.50 in 1916 and 17.3c. in 1914.... Goat skins, imported from a score of a averaged 47.4c. per 1b, in 1918 ec. per lb. in 1.14. Cotton from Great Britain, France, otheriands and Japan, were the average price of the ing in 1918, 25:76. per yard, Lynr lin 1916, while the onth of February, 1918, than those of the full ir that mon h 49c. per annual average of 25.7c. n shows for 1918 an er ton, against \$35.87 bar iron in 19185.3c. average of 1.9c, per

In a few articles very few-prices are and re resenting all the coffee-producing 3 inches below mean sea-level For eight days we followed oil in sections of the world, wis Sc. per limit dications on our way westward, and against 11.1c. per lb. in 1914. Tobacco lb. in 1018, against 81.28 per lb. in 1914;

All the above are, it should be rememring see with no food for the dogs and bered, the wholesale prices of the articles with only four pounds of butter between in the country from which they were exported to the United States.

> PRENCH TO LEVY POLL TAX AT EWANGCHOWWAN.

Words lisve just been received from Kochow that the French authorities in and for the last two years has lovy a poll tax on the Chinese residents on an average of fifty miles there. The Chinese in Kwangchowwan He is a life long friend and pro asking the Military Government

### WEATHER REPORT.

December 31d. 12h. 12m.-No returns from Japan and Vladivostock. The anticyclone has moved eastward and pressure has decreased moderately to considerably at all reporting stations. The monsoon will be interrupted to the north of Foochow, but will continue to blow freshly over the Formosa Channel and the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 s.m. to-day; 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 101.60 inches, against an average of 83.14 inches. Forecast for the 24 hours ending at acon on the 1st January 1919.

1.-Hongkong to Cap Rock; N.E. winds, moderate fair. 2. Formosa Channel: The same as

3.-South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks: The same as E-South coast of China between

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HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER

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O. W. JEFFRIES, Chief Assistant, . Hongkong Observatory, Dec 31, 1918 1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees

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### HONGKONG REGISTER.

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### HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanae Office Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui luring the years 1909-9. The zero of the table corresponds with

the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Uhart, which has been found to be 4 feet To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet

inches to the height given in the table. January 1st to 8tb, 1919.

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#### COMMERCIAL SLUMP IN JAPAN.

The conclusion of the armistice has caused a slump in commercial circles in Japan, and the removal or medification of export embargoes in Britain and the United States has made the situation

It was originally thought by Japanmerchants that it would take at least a year or two for the belligerents to restore their trade and industry to normal conditions but this belief has the narikin that the war has produced been disappointed, for the Powers modified their trade restrictions immediately the armistice was signed, the prompt action being interpeted in Japan as indicating great efforts to be made by those Fowers to recapture the trade speculation was apparently the cause of and markets lost during the war. ..

chemicals on a large scale, his manipulations being based on the belief that the Some time before the armistice was. war would continue for a long time yet. concluded prices of commodities This was not very long before the Japan ranched the highest level aver recorded, and many importers, who armistice. Meantime, prices of chemicals apparently believed that the end of the downward turn oh account of the war was not yet near, made arrange increase in home output. Mr. Shimidzu, Wuchew, Capt. Jones, K.W. & ments to get large imports in addition acting in conjunction with his friends, Ping On Wharf. to stocks already imported. Indeed, it refrained from disposing of his holdings is stated that imports of dyes alone, in market quotations. due to arrive before the and of February, amount to about Y10.000,000. It is expected that the modification of export ground any longer. Just at this time expected that the modification of export a promissory note for Y1 700,000 drawn Manila Capt. Wheeler, J.M. & Ca. C35.

embargoes in Britain and the United by Mr. Konishi, who had been reduced VERDUN, French, 124 tons, from to a state of bankruptey, and andorsed addition to those under previous con- by Mr. Shimidzu; was dishonoured in West River, Capt. Servingden, Fat Hing Kobe, and Mr. Shimidzu himself has shared the same fate. It is said that tracts, and these prospects have now raused a decided slump in the market Mr. Shimidzu's assets amount to not only for imported articles but also Y5,700,000 and liabilities to Y5,300,000. Thus his assets exceed his liabilities by Y400,000, but as the assets include the for domestic products.

.The value of cotton yarn has fallen to about Y280, as compared with the YI,700,000 a satisfactory adjustment of E. Point. Y430 quoted at the beginning ef the his finances is considered a very difficult year. In many cases prices of imports have declined below the prices in Koyama, President of the 24th Bonk, countries from which they were obtain- are doing their best to tide over the ed. For instance, lead is quoted at difficulty on behalf of the bankrupt Y16.80, whereas the Australian price is dealers. dealers in dyes, chemicals, and medic-Y24 and the American price Y29.50 over land and Y.31 via Panama. Tele- ines. In is reported that one of the graphic quotations from Australia leading firms in Osaka, which is capgive Y32.50 for spelter, and the italized at Y3,000,000, is debt to the American quotations are Y31.50 overland and Y32.65 via Panama, but quotations on the domestic market among iron and steel merchants, but the stand at about Y23. Quotations for matter has not yet come under public pig iron have declined to about one notice, as the merchants are secretly third the price quoted a few months those affected, though a big Osaka steel ago, ranging from Y280 to Y300 against merchant is said to have gone bankrupt. the American overland quotation of Some shipyards of smaller resources whatf. about Y320. Phenol was quoted at are involved in serious difficulties, but. Y2.30 per lb. some time ago, but now are mostly optimistic regarding the No. Singapore, Capt. Peacock, B. & S., Buty it is obtainable at no more than 55 sen outlook, are giving them financial MAUSANG, Brit., 1844 tons, from Soda ash has declined from Y20 to Y6 assistance so as to continue the conper 100 lb., caustic sods from Y38 to struction of vessels already on the Y12. Some dyes have depreciated to many cases of financial difficulties in Buow No. I. about one-third the prices quoted in the other directions than those mentioned,

to prevent them coming to public United States. The slump has naturally given the notice. TEMPERATURE in the shade, in de industries which had benefited by advanced that as European goods the war to the greatest extent. Mr. tion, the humidity of air saturated with Konishi Kiyomatsu, President of the there need be no cause for undue 4. Direction of Wind, to two points: Japan Munitions Co., Osaka, was panic, in Japanese markets.—"Japan 5. FORCE OF WIND, according to the first to reveal a state of bank ruptey. He is known to have made detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog. great profits in making fuses to the g gloomy, h hail, I lightning, o o ereast, order of the Russian Government, but since these Russian orders stopped his company has been in water. Later Mr. Konishi dabbled in speculation on the Rice by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Exchange, and it is "said that he as may be required. "This remedy will has sustained large losses. -Last month a bill drawn by him in favour used successfully n many epidemics and of Mn Sawayama Kitjai, a Kobe as it contains no nercotis or other shipping man, was not paid by a cer For sale by al Chemists and Store

tain Kobe Bank, and this led to the keepers.

#### CAPTAIN REWARDED. disclosure of a state of bankruptoy on

It is with pleasure that we record the fact that Capt. J. T. Inch, master of the Mr. Kawasaki Rigoro, Mr. Fukada Asiatio Petroleum Co. motor vessel Kikuzō, Mr. Okuyasu, Hayashi Gomei Ah. Kwang, has received from the Kaisha and several others have sus- Chinese Government, through the Min-Affairs, a certificate and a gold medal pended payment. Though particulars of the assets and liabilities of Mr. with purple ribbon for his gallantry in Konishi are not known, it is said that saving the lives of four Chinese at Yaohis total debts amount to about chia-tsui (Langshan Crossing) from a YE,000,000. Mr. Shimidzu, a dealer in wrecked fishing junk. The incident of obemicals, and medicines, is typical of the wrecked fishing junk occurred about Capt. Inch heard cries which were at Before the war he was a broker doing first thought to be those of seagulls and business in a small way, but in the afterwards ascertained to be those of enormous boom in the domestic market human beings-five Chinese on a wreckthat occurred some time after the com- ed junk. The junk was in far too mencement of heatilities, he made a disabled a condition to be taken in tow, but four Chinese were rescued, a fifth fortune of millions. A further large refusing to abandon the junk.

#### ARRIVALS OF STEAMERS.

SOTH DECEMBER, 1918. KOCHOW, Brit, 183 tons, from HOKUTO MARU, Jap., 2,261 tons,

from Balikpapan, Capt. Suzaki, Dodwell & Co., No. 4 Buoy. WO KWAI, Ohi. 228 tons, from Then came the armistice, and this Wuchow, Capt. Laushau, Banker & Co.,

made it impossible for him to hold his wherf, SAN NAM HOI, Chi., 427 tons, from

Shanehai, Capt. Gibbs, B. & S., A8. CHINKIANG, Brit., 1,229 tons, from Singapore, Capt. Mills, B. & S., Taikoo NERITE, Dutch, 1,453 tons, from

Tarakan, Capt. Sonnemann, A.P. & Co., dishonoured promissory note for task. It is said, however, that the Whampon, Capt. Udden, Ewong Hing Co. West Point. bankers concerned, headed by Mr. Shanghai, Capt. Frehigani, .. O.S.K.,

TSURU MARU, Jap., 2,509 tons, from Wakamatsu, Capt. Yamada, O.S.K., Evidently the blow is not confined to WENGHANG, Chi., 264 tons, from Macar, Capt. Alves, Fat Hing Co., wharf.

SIST DECEMBER. NAM HO, Chi., 516 tons, from Haiextent of Y5,000,000, and is now phong. Capt. Kolins, Kicong Hing, C41. TANGO MARU, Jap., 4260 tons, from Nagaraki, Capt. Nishimura, N.Y.K.,

Haiphong, Capt. Bakurada, C38. HSIN CHANG, Chi., 1258 tons, from adjusting their affairs together with Saigon, Capt. Munto, Soon Seng, Buo Shanghai, Capt. Sangster, C.M.S.N. Co. KINKIANG, Brit., 1228 tons, from

> Kowloon wharf. YOKOHAMA' MABU, Jap., 3785 tons,

but efforts are appearently being made | phong, Capt. Doyn, C42.

#### CLEARANCE.

ASIA, Chi., 11 a.m. for Haibpeng TOMIURA MARU, Jap., 11 a.m. for London via Singapore, N.Y.K. SORACHI MARU, Jap., 3 p.m. for Manila, M.B.K. SUIYANG, Brit., 4 p.m. for Canton, E. SANG. Brit., 6.30 a.m., for Shanghai, J.M. & Uo . SHENG KING, Brit., 4 p.m. for Shanghai via Ningpo, B. & S. KASHIMA MARU, Jap., 5 p.m. for Saigon, Furukaws. 10HI MARU, Jap., 2.30 p.m. for Haiphong, Nemazu. SUNTAE, Port., 5 p.m. for Haiphong, SHUN CHEUNG, Chi., for K.C. Wan. 31st DFCEMBER. TOTO MARU, Jap., 7 a.m. for Yoko-

hama, Y.K.K.

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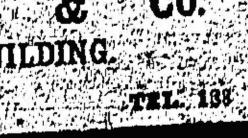
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#### COMMERCIAL

#### IRON AND STEEL TRADE.

The following circular lotter was issued by the Ministry of Munitions :-Ministry of Munitions of Wat

April 12, 1918. I am directed by the Minister of Munitions to inform you, that he has under consideration the post-war conditions, that are likely to obtain in the iron and stee. industries, particularly during the period following the cessation of hostilities: -

These important industries are, at presont, almost entirely engaged directly or are becoming beggars from this "white indirectly on Government work, and if these orders are cancelled at short notice, there is a danger of dislocation, and a break in continuity of production, unless built all over the land. Foreign and there is in existence a considerable volume Chinese companies are doing the of orders which can be put into immedia utmost to increase this trade which ate execution: Mr. Churchill is, there- makes China poor. fore, anxious on the one hand, to ascertain how large the volume of such orders kind of tobacco smoking, and yet agents . It will be remembered that when may be; and on the other to see that of the tobacco companies can often be he stole the notes and bonds in they are actually placed before the cessa- seen in the streets of the cities and will- November, it was said that he drove tion of hearitiches, in order that he may ages, giving away cigarettes to men and to the residence of an American be in a position to prepare and issue in- hoys so as to create the babit and get woman known as Miss Christine, to structions' to the firms which are now pro- them to buy. ducing under the direction of this Minis. .. Perhaps here is the greatest danger

try may be furnished as early as possible eigarette. And the poison, little with the following particulars:-

1. The requirements for steel in as great detail as may be possible, in various forms as indicated in the attached schedule.

in regulating priority three separate schedules should be furnished :--(i) Marked " urgent " for work that

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In order to assist the Government

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schedule should be given some indication of the maximum limit of time it is considered may be given for delivery. 2. If orders for the requirements referred to in the foregoing paragraph

what conditions of price and delivery? I am to ask that any information that o may be available indicating approximately the magnitude of these requirements, may be furnished in advance, pending the preparation of the complete reply in detail. This inquiry has been issued after con-

sultation with the Ministry of Reconstruction and the Overseas Trade Department, departments.

I am to add that the matter is urgent, since, if the requirements of the different departments of the State and to be filled in the order of their relative import. ance, a considerable amount of detailed organisation will be necessary.

#### WORLD HUNGER FOR COTTON.

Keen-sighted observers, looking into

see only indications of higher prices coming with the restoration of normal times in Europe, and even before. From what they see they contend that even before peace is signed cotton must go up because the 40 odd Allied ships interned in Oprmany must have been released before the negotiations are completed—and the whole about Y. 1,150,000,000 at the end of situation fulls back on shipping. Ships the year, are needed to move cotton from America to Europe, and once the flow of the white staple Europeward begins, the price must laws of supply and demand. It will be must come from America. It cannot be a case, they see, of the demand increas, seen that the cotton crop to be harvested ing while there will be no probability in America next summer, when the dethat the supply will increase for at least mand should be greatest, can be two years. The demand will come not larger than that grown; last summer, there is a dearth of raw cotton, but from distinct signs of an actual shortage whole world, in fact. This senson's of the future make free to predict, wit American crop, officially estimated at what they claim to be reasonable cer-11,700,000 hales as published on Satur- | thinty, that there can be no material day, is a fair general average crop but reduction in the price of raw cotton or short of what America could raise with. of the general run of manufactured cloth, . out special effort by some 3,000,000 bales; except some fancy goods at present over 2,000,000 bales instead of the 3,000,000 present level for a long time, as even is committed to feed the devastated maintain high prices for cotton cloth States must continue to plant every avail- a shortage, pointing out that acreage · able acre to cereals, rather than cultivate not a matter to be considered at all. cotton. It is not expected that the Eng. duced in 1911-12 on an acreage populations who have had their diet for mery of this Bort cannot be supplied in ing and indigestion, and make toething cotton-floth restricted. Also, there is a few months. Whichever view one takes Germany, starving for cotton these three them remains the probability of high cotyears, the whole nation actually denuded ton two or three years more, when it is of tother tow or manufactured cotton. considered that the American growers, Once peace is signed Gormany will try, claim it costs 22 cents to performant Entiry her need of polion, so lar as elaple.

#### CIGARETTES IN CHINA.

It is estimated that twenty thousand million (20,000,000,000) cigarettes are now consumed in China every year And the habit is on the increase. Neve before has such a flood of eigarettes come so quickly to a great nation. First millions came from America and other lands. Now China makes own millions of eigarettes every day. China's good money is being turned into smoke and many of her people

Many cigarette factories have been Cigarette smoking is the most harmful the sentence.

to China. Little boys and girls are I am, therefore, to ask that this Minis. often seen in public places smoking the little, is weakening their bodies, their nerves, making them more easy victims to all disease.

Dr. O. M.-Stone, of Boston said "The idea that tobacco prevents disease in an error. A tobacco user's chances of recovery from malignant disease is lessened fifty per cent."

#### DEMAND FOR MONEY IN JAPAN.

Government has been buying gold specie held abroad by the Yokohama Specie Bank and other Japanese banks with the surplusation the Treasury. As can be placed now, and, if so, under a result, the specie held abroad by the Government has been showing a growing increase, while the surplus funds have been diminishing to a corresponding degree. As a matter of fact, Baron Takahashi, "the Finance Minister, admits much decreased that there will nothing available for the next financial

The Government's purchase of gold and the schedule has been drawn up in specie held abroad by, the Japanese a form which, it is hoped, will furnish all banks was of course designed to assist | Shanghai ...... Szegourshan Tanpienlee. the information on this subject, which them in accuring adequate exchange may subsequently be required by those funds. Now, however, that funds available for such purchase are greatly diminished, if not altogether spent, it is believed that the Japanese exchange banks will have to obtain accommoda-

tion from the Bank of Japan. These banks have already absorbed a considerable amount of call money from the open market to finance their exchange business, not a small portion of such loans being shortly due, says the "Japan Chronicle." When this is taken into account, it is estimated that the total demand for money from the the future of cotton, claim that they can exchange banks before the ead of the year will amount to about 200,000,000. In addition, the general demand on the market will amount

> to Y. 70,000,000 or Y. 90,000,000. It is expected that the issue of Bank of Japan notes, which now stands at about Y. 880,000,000, will increase to

advance in accordance with the laid down, the supply, will permit, and the supply only from the mills of Lancashire, where according to this argument, so there are cotton-starved Germany and Austria, and | the raw material for possibly two years from France and Belgium-from the to come. Those who can see these things and barely sufficient to fill ordinary re. priced, for possibly three years. In fact quirenfents only for the next eight it seems probable to them that cotton months or so; India is harvesting piece goods will remain relatively at the that were expected. So far as the new the signs fail and raw cotton rises no American crop is concerned, there is higher, the increased wage scale of mill little probability that this season's acre- operatives and miners, which is probage will be increased as the United States | ably a permanent rise, must of necessity . countries of Europe until next summer's On the other hand, there are those who food crops are harvested. The United contend that there is no reason to expect an extra acreage even tot high-priced bumper crup of 16,108,000 bales was prolish mills will be put in full operation 38,681,000 acres, and in 1914-15 15,108,000 immediately, so their demand is not to bules were produced on 37,400,000 acres. the an immediate one. First, the coal twhereas this season's crop of less than mines must be restored to full activity, 12,000,000 bales is produced on practicfor the coal is needed for the mills, and ally the same acresge, the figure being for export, especially to France whose 87,078,000 acres. There is no reason why ruined coal pits cannot be restored for another 16,000,000 might not be produced" two years probably. In the work of on the present acreage; that is a matter demobilization the miners will be the entirely controlled by nature—and fertifirst to be returned Home; after they lizer. As regards Germany and her de-Lhave become productive the mill workers mand for cotton-she should be made to will follow. When the mon return to be satisfied with piece goods and would civilian life they will need first of all have to buy the cloth if the raw cotton civilian clothes, cotton cloths in great were denied her for another year, which by the little one's aches and ills that she quantities. It would be difficult to esti- might well be done and clean up the does not know which way to turn to mate the extent of cotton clothing that warehouses of England, America, India find for it relief. will be needed by the millions of dis- and Japan. As for France and Belgium, charged soldiers of Britain, France, and those countries must first replace their America, to say nothing of the require rained spiniles and looms before they ments of the women and stay at home can handle the raw material, and machi- simple fevers expel worms, cure vomit-

#### FOREIGNER [IMPRISONED IN JAPAN.

On December 9 in the Kobe Ku Saibansho judgment was given in the case in which Henry Hartz, formerly in the employ of the Tor Hotel, is charged with stealing Japanese. American, and Russian notes and American bonds, altogether valued at over Y.40,000, belonging to a guest at the hotel. Accused was sentenced to imprisonment for one year with hard labour. In:giving judgment the Presiding Judge remarked that as the offence of the accused was due to momentary temptation and as he showed unmistakable signs of repentance, the lightest punishment possible had been inflicted." The Judge told accused that he might appeal within five days if he chose, but accessed replied that he would serve

whom it was alleged he entrusted some of the notes for custody, tell ing her of the adventure he had gone through. The police discovered the notes in the stockings worn by the woman, and instituted a charge of complicity in the theft against her. Her case is still under consideration by the Producators. It is said that even if they do not bridg a formal charge of complicity" against the woman, action of another nature will be taken .- Japan Chronicle:

### UNCLAIMED "TELEGRAMS.

The following is a list of unclaimed. telegrams at the office of the Great Nor-For some, time past the Japanese thern Telegraph Co., Ltd., Hongkong, Soth December, 19:8:-Addresses Wabuka.....Tsuchioka, 60 Kaitogai Nagasaki ..... Cher Wokee. Shanghai ..... Tsungsun.

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#### RLIER TELEGRAMS.

Bouter's Service to the China Mail.) NEW TRADE DEPARTMENT.

TO CONTROL CONSULS.

London, December 28th. Details have been published of th Trade Overseas Trade Department which now controls the Con-Smlar Services and the Trade Commismappers and Commercial Attaches. The Department is divided into two

sections: Namely, the Overseas Division and the United Kingdom Division. The Oversens Division is sub-divided georaphically and deals with the informakion received, while the United Kingdom ing Division considers reports from abroad From the point of view of industries in this country and is in touch with the

commercial community. "No provision has yet been made for Central Empires but it is probable that for the disarmament of their opponents. dealing with the problems of trade of the new section will be created for this

erensed from four to twelve. Canada and Herr Ebert, and compel the sailors to Newfoundland, have been assigned three; surrender. Africa, two; India and Ceylon, one; the armed crowd, including women and Straits Settlements, one; the British West Mudies, one; and Headquarters, one. Commercial Attaches in foreign countrice have been increased as a first instal-Ement from 8 to 97.

THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

FRENCH PRESIDENT INTER-

The Daily Chronicle's correspondent in in regard to the retention of General Paris has interviewed M. Poincare. Hindenburg.

He was confident that Mr. Lloyd George and M. Clemenceau, who knew and liked each other, had co-operated very closely to

essentin' points. most solemnly on the German devasta- militia thereupon sided the sailors. tions. He said that the Germans must pay not merely in money but in kind were then obliged to capitulate to the That was a principle of reparation sailors.

President Poincare concluded by declar-Ing that he did not fear that Bolshevism would affect France. It was a microbe. which attacked defeated not victorious ponntries.

BEITISH CASE COMPLETE. LONDON, December 28th.

Wilson, Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. A. J. Liebknecht, has been appointed Military Balfour were present at yesterday's Conferences at which the fourteen points formed the basis of discussion. Subjects seviewed included the freedom of the seas; the League of Nations; indemnities; the status of now nations; the future of the German Colonies and the Turkish Empire. Cabinet has completed the British case machines and equipment to prospect and segarding these a few days ago. It survey an aerial route from Cairo to Cape strongly asserts the traditional British Town. A possible route to India and strong in the determination to secure the investigated. incorporation of a League of Nations in

future international law. As regards indomnities the Dominions made it perfectly plain that they have bills to present to Germany equally with the Motherland and the Allies.

#### THE ELECTIONS.

BALLOT " EXAMINED." LONDON, December 28th. The soldiers ballot-papers which have been arriving by post during past three weeks were examined yesterday. Preparatory to counting they will be mixed with those of the civilians to-day in order to prevent disclosure of how the soldiers voted. The votes of soldiers and sailors are still coming in and will be received until the opening count. Many results will be declared early in the afternoon though delays, are anticipated owing to the novel conditions of the election. That Jess than half the soldiers voted appears from the number of ballot-papers received in Middlesox amounting to only 28 per cent. of the papers sent out. This, is due to various causes, including the Jack of interest and the clashing of election with the Xmas leave of troops. -All forecasts agree that the Conlition have a more substantial majority even than had been anticipated.

#### LUXEMBURG.

BRUSSELS, December 28th. The Volunteer Army- of the Grand Buchy or Luxemburg has presented to the Coamber certain demands for reforms in

The Government refused to receive the delegates whereupon the troops barrionded themselves in the barracks.

#### A ROYAL BETROTHAL

LONDON, December 28th. Princess Patricia of Connaught is Commander Alexander Ramsay, His Majesty has gladly given har consent to the union.

[Commander the Hon; Alexander Bobart Beaule Ramsay is a younger son of the late 13th Earl of Dalhousie, and of Lady Ida Innkerville, daughter of the 6th Earl Tankerville. After being educated at the Hoyal Naval College, Dartmouth, he entered the Navy. He saw service as a Commander in the Dardanelles in 1914-15, and won the Distinguished Service Order. Commander May was born on May 29th, 1881. His cider brother, the Hon. Arthur George Maulo Ramsay, 14th Earl of Daihouse, owns about 138,000 acrea. It is of passing interest that both of them can claim an anocator who was vone of the authors of the letter written to the Pope in 1320, asserting the independence.

of Scotland. Princess Victoria Patricia is the second and youngest daughter, and the third childof H.R.H. the Dake of Connaught, uncle was born on March 17th, 1886. Her mother HR.H. tht late Princess Louise (who alied on March 14th, 1917), daughter of Prince Frederick Charles of Prusas, Har andest sister, Princess blargaret, is married L. H.R. H. Prince Chistivus Adolphus, Crown Frince of Sweden, and her brother Prince Action of Connaught Personal A.D.C. to King George V. ... was married in 1913 to H. H. the Duchess of Fifth, a grand-daughter of King Ldword VII.

#### EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Router's Service to the China Muil. SITUATION IN CERMANY.

COPENHAGEN, December 27th. A telegram from Berlin states that the Central Council of the Soviets will be summoned to consider the latest develop-

change of Government, headed by Herr Ledebour and Herr Liebknecht, i. regarded as probable.

The demonstrators occupied the offices of the Forwacrts on December 25th disarming the military guard which the Police President had placed in the build.

Guards, interviewed, by the Vossische Zeitung, said that his troops were anxious help the Government, but the latter delayed in carrying out certain measures, including the formation of a strong force sailors imperilled the Government, he received orders to act with reserve from

Twenty minutes' truce enabled, the unchildren, to intervene in the struggle, and as the soldiers refused to fire on women and children their effort failed. A portion of his force were pressed back and laid down their arms. ...

STORY OF DISORDERS. LONDON, December 28th. A telegram from Berlin, dated December 25th, says that the street fighting greatly imperilled the . Government's position, which had already been shaken; by disagreement with the Central Soviet

The President anticipated a successful con- On the evening before fighting broke clusion of the peace deliberations and said out the sailors had refuctantly agreed to that Britain and France had agreed on evacuate the Palace, but not the royal the main lines of the fourteen points, stables, subject to the carrying out of They merely desired not to bind their certain conditions, but the town Comhands as regards the freedom of the mander, Herr Wels, who is much bated by the Sailors' Party, upset compromise.

The "sailors, arrested" Herr Wels but the Government unwisely, interfered and reach a perfect understanding on all brought troops from Potsdam, ordered the peremptory surrender of the insur-President Poincare, who had spent his gents, and allowed the subsequent bom-Christmas in the liberated territory, dwelt bardment. Some troops and the Berlin Herr Ebert and Herr Scheidemann

A change in the Cabinet is probable in which the Independent Socialists, who were not responsible for the Government's drastic measures and whose position has become much stronger, will secure

superior influence. LONDON. December 28th. A telegram from the Hague states that The Times states that only President Herr Molkenbuhr, a supporter of Herr Commandant of Berlin.

#### AIR MINISTRY.

London, December 28th. Air Ministry has despatched the It is understood that the Imperial War Central Africa two parties of airmen with maritime law and is equally Australia via Singapore is being

### A TRAM CAR FATALITY.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

Before Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne. as Coroner, yesterday afternoon, an enquiry was held into the circumstances surrounding the death of a 3-year-old child, who was killed by a train-car in Quarry Bay on the 22nd December.

The following jury was empanelded: \_\_Mesars: R. C. da Silva (foreman), A. C. do Rozario, and J.

The Medical Officer in charge of the Victoria Mortuary deposed that on the 23rd December he made a post-mortem examination | on the body of the child. The whole of the right side of the face was broken, as also were the ribe on the left side of his body. But the boy had advanced tuberculosis and could not have lived for more than Three months.

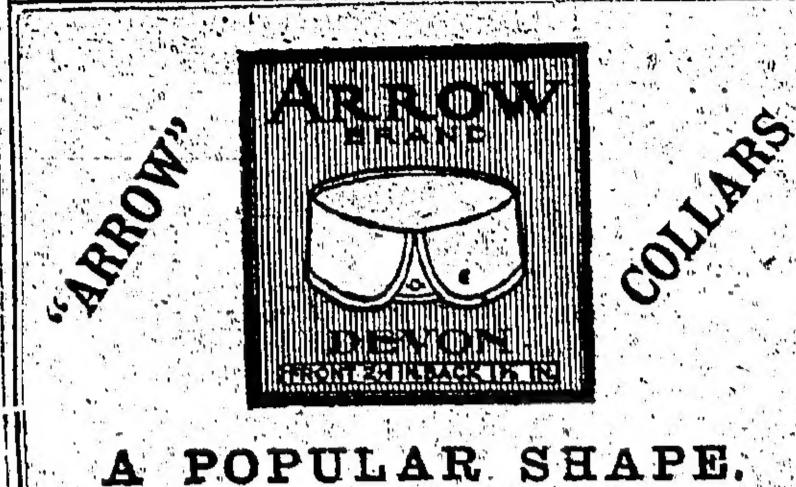
The mother of the boy said her son was three years of age and lived with her at No. 8, Bridge Street. Quarry Bay, She went inside the house to attend to the baby, leaving the boy at the door. She heard a tram-car pass by, and heard people shout. She rushed out and saw that the car had stopped, the boy being pinned underneath it. It took three quarters of an hour for the body to

be extricated Questioned by the Coroner, witness said that she usually allowed the boy

to.play outside. An Ho, the driver of the tram-car, deposed that on the 22nd December he was driving the car from Shaukiwan to Causeway Bay. -At 12.25 p.m. when in Bridge Road he saw a child ran out of No. 8, and towards the rails. It was too late to stop. Witness had been in the employ of the Tram-car Company for a period of unree years, two years as motorman. He never had an accident like the present one before. Previous to the running over of the child, witness did not hear any warning, and was quite unaware of the danger until within a distance of five yards from the child. In witness opin ou, the child was caught under the life-guard under the car immediately after being -

knocked down Further evidence was then given, and the jury, after considering the points mentioned by the Coroner, returned a verdict of death through misadventure. They added that the mother should take more care of her children.

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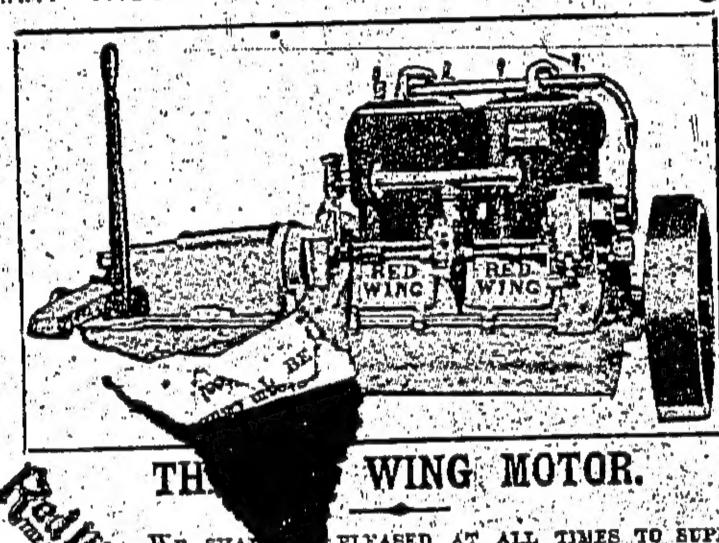
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GOVERNMEMT AGREEMENT WITH MESSRS. PEARSON.

A sum of £1,000,000 has been placed by the Treasury at the disposal of the sgreed, were to be handed in confidence Ministry of Munitions for oil prospecting. and development work in the United Ringdom, so it is stated in the agree ment between the Ministry and Messrs. Pearson and Co., Ltd. (the Petroleum Development managers).

out that the Petroleum Development accordance with their nevel business managers have for four years, at their methods. own cost, devoted considerable labour Clause 18 states that until the and expense to preliminary research and 21.000,000 has been spent, except by to negotiations for leases, and that, for sions, the contract shall not be termintheir own purposes, they had placed able; afterwards a month's notice to considerable orders in America for sui-

table drilling material. It was considered advisable to ask the Petroleum Dovelopment managers, under certain conditions, to take full control, on behalf of the Ministry, over the work in connection with not more than 35 drilling areas. Particulars of Two those areas, it was

Mr. Walter Long. M.P. who would

necessary legislation was passed. Considering the matter one of great urg ney, the War Cabinet Instructed FRIDAY, 3rd January the Ministry to request-Messrs, Pearson Shanghai and North China-Per to undertake the office of Petroleum De-The terms of the agreement have been Government, which they expressed wilpublished in a White Paper. It is pointed linguess to do, provided that they were

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There will be one delivery from all district offices at noon.

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dom will in future he forwarded f.om Houghong in bags and the Public are therefore advised to pack such parcels very carefully.

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WEDNESDAY, 1st January.

Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, Bouth Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and Europe via Suez-Per YOKOHAMA MARU, 1st Jan., Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. pine Islands, Australia, New Zealand via Sydney-Por TANGO MARU, 1st Jan., Registration

8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. The Parcel Mail will be closed to-day at 5 p.m. Swatow, Amoy and Formess via Takao-

Per SOSHU MARU, 1st Jan. 11.30 a.m.

THURSDAY, 2nd January. Shanghai and North China-Per SUIYANG, 2nd Jan., 9 n.m. Shanghai, North China, Japan via Kobe -Per KANAGAWA MARU, 2nd

Swa'ow and Bangkok-Per HUPEH. 2nd Jan. 9 a.m. Fort Bayard Heihow and Haiphong-Fer HANUI, 2nd Jan., 9 a.m. Swatow and Straits-Per LIANGCHOW, hand them to the Minister when the 2nd Jan., 9 a.m.

SHUNTIEN, 3rd Jan., 11 a.m. velopment managers as agents for the Philippine Islands Per YUENSANG, 8rd Jan., 2 p.m.

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SUNDAY, 5th January. -Per AMAKUSA MARU. 5th Jan., 9 a.m.

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ber 8. The clerk who checked the bill passed it as 2s. 10d. and it went "upstairs," where it was countersigned. and put before the head. He had a conscience. Was it fair to deduct the four men had a consultation lasting decided to write to the lighting com-

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